

## PREPARE CAPONS FOR BEST PRICE

No Feed or Water Should Be Given for 24 Hours Before Fowls Are Killed.

### STICKING METHOD FAVORED

Some Feathers Should Be Allowed to Remain as Distinguishing Mark-Pack in Neat Boxes of Most Convenient Size.

Capons selected for killing should be confined for 24 hours without water to enable the capon completely to utilize the usual method of killing known as the sticking method. The fowl is hung up by the feet, the head in the left hand, and the whole body stretched to full length. The feet are forced to the ground and the wings are at the back of the throat are severed with a sharp narrow-bladed knife. The knife is then turned and the point plunged through the roof of the mouth to a point just behind and between the eyes, cutting the brain. The muscles are relaxed and the feathers come out easily.

#### Dry Picking Is Best.

Capons should always be plucked, as they lose weight and some of the feathers should be left on. The feathers of the neck and head, the tail feathers, those a short way up the back, the feathers of the last two joints of the wing, and those of the leg, should be plucked. The feathers in the joint, should be left on. These feathers, together with the head of the capon, serve to distinguish it from other classes of poultry on the market, and consequently should never be plucked. It is, however, careful not to tear the skin. Bad tears, poultry specialists of the United States department of agriculture say, should be sewn up. Capons sealed and packed are very little, if any, better prices than other poultry in the same condition.

Most markets require capons to be undrawn and the head and feet left on. Care should be used to cleanse the head and feet of all feathers and prevents unfair trade practices.

#### Pack in Neat Boxes.

After plucking, the carcasses are hung in a cool place until the feathers have been plucked off. Then they are ready to be packed. Like other poultry they should be packed in boxes of convenient size, holding a dozen carcasses, or in barrels. Every attention should be given to neatness

## FEDERAL INSPECTION PREVENTS BIG WASTE

Shippers, Receivers and Others Interested Assisted.

Sworn Statements as to Condition of Fruits and Vegetables Facilitates Sale, Thereby Facilitating Distribution.

More than 25,000 inspections of fruits and vegetables moving in interstate commerce were made by representatives of the United States department of agriculture during the 12 months ended June 30, 1920. This is an increase of 78 per cent over the number of inspections for the preceding year.

By means of the federal products inspection service, shippers, receivers and others interested can obtain sworn statements attesting the condition of perishable products received at central markets. With the aid of these statements, the cost of the food sales are made promptly, thereby facilitating the distribution of the products handled. This prevents deterioration

The modern types of face looks best in a hat which is extremely simple. It may require some self-restraint to resist the appeal of that extra bow or flower for your new hat, but the result will be worth it.

If you are the fashion-conscious type of woman, you may wear feathers, flowers and lace. They are planned for just your type. You must be careful not to overdo it, however.

If you are inclined to be stout, do not let your hat be too large, and keep the brim of your hat narrow.

Such trimming as you do should be piled high on the hat, preferably toward the back on the left side.

If you are of a nervous temperament, avoid all dangling trimmings. Such trimmings do not look well when they are in constant motion, you know.

The prettiest hat in the country is not necessarily the one which is worn most. All hats should be dusted when they are taken off and placed in a box where they will be out of reach of dust. Make for yourself a hat box, which will last for many seasons, and prolong the life of your hats indefinitely.

#### NEW FALL UNDERWEAR STYLE

Two-in-One and Three-in-One Garments Brought Forward by Process of Elimination.

The modern process of elimination has brought about the two-in-one garment and the three-in-one piece designed to meet the needs of the wearer.

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A second model has the netter section shaped like a chemise envelope, but much wider, the side slashed and trimmed with a flounce of fine lace.

At present, the two-in-one is evolved into a soft seethand thread with violet satin ribbon, the band flounces the upper edge and attached to the wide beltretches a lace camisole—a wonderful model for wear with the evening gown, since the front and back of the upper part are free from fabric.

#### A Girl's Slipper.

A warm, soft slipper for baby can be made out of a wool neck scarf by placing the middle of scarf on the front of baby's dress, then drawing it to the back, crossing and passing the ends over the shoulders, then drawing it down to the front again and fastening at each side with two pins or safety pins; it is both snug and comfortable.

#### Stenciling.

Stenciling as a means of decorating is meeting with considerable favor for girls' simple one-piece frocks of silk.

The complete her tailored suit might well choose such a striking blouson as this soft-toed one of broad-cad silk.

#### Good Specimen of Capon.

and attractiveness, as this helps the sale and the price. During the time of year when most capons are marketed—January, February, and March—no ice is necessary, but if for any reason they are shipped in warm weather they should be packed in ice.

#### STORING FOR BEST RESULTS

Important to Know Natural Keeping Qualities of Different Kinds and Varieties.

Before one can make a complete success in storing fruit and vegetable crops it is important to know the natural keeping qualities of the different kinds and varieties. Some kinds of fruit and vegetables do not keep well in storage and different kinds of fruit and vegetable crops must be handled differently to insure the best results.

#### INCREASE PROFITS OF FARM

Development of Motor Transportation Expected to Bring Farmer Better Returns.

The development of motor transportation facilities will go a long way to one of the big things in the progress of farming in the next few years. It is going to place agriculture on a more profitable basis, and eliminate much of the spread which now exists between the consumer and the producer.

#### HEALTHY AND VIGOROUS HEN

Right Kind to Keep in Laying Pen for Production of Eggs—Disease of Fowls.

It does not matter how well bred a hen may be or how well we may try to feed her for egg production, if she is not naturally healthy and vigorous she will not be a bird to keep in the laying pen. Birds that are healthy in the proper condition to be plucked.

**TUBERCULOSIS IN HOG HERD**

Infestation Comes Principally Through Following Cattle or Devouring Carrion.

Evidence shows that swine become infected with tuberculosis principally from cattle, either by following them in feed troughs, or by receiving infected dairy by-products.

Swine Cholera Danger. Keeping hogs healthy, strong, healthy hogs resist cholera. Lice, worms and intestinal conditions weaken hogs and invite cholera.

Should Know His Cows. High feed prices make it highly desirable that the farmer should know about the production of the cows he is feeding.

Five Cents and Change. It is being emphasized how much the cost of raising hogs and chickens can be reduced by feeding them the right diet. They are good preventatives of stomach and bowel disorders.

#### Prevent Chicken Diseases.

Scatter air-slaked lime all around the houses and yards and do not allow the hens to peck lime and cholera.

Marketing by Parcel Post.

Commodities producers alike may well look into the possibilities of direct marketing by parcel post, for nearby products.

#### Time for Cleaning Up.

Cleaning of work with a coarse cloth.

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